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Rochester Students Give From The Heart

It was more than just a matter of the heart for students at Rochester's Memorial School as they devoted their usual physical education time to jump rope in a fund-raising effort for the American Heart Association (AHA). During the week of January 22 through 26, students jumped all over heart disease and stroke by participating in the AHA's "Jump Rope for Heart" campaign.

The students at the Rochester school managed to raise about $1,300 for the American Heart Association and, in turn, had fun challenging each other to see who could maintain the record for the most number of jumps. All funds raised through Jump Rope for Heart help fight heart disease and stroke, the nation's number one and number three killers, respectively.

"This year's event was a huge success," said Betsey Christiansen, School Nurse and one of the coordinators of Jump Rope for Heart along with Physical Education teacher Gary Cushman. "We're very proud of all the jumpers and we all had a lot of fun. This event has enabled us to instill a dual message to Rochester Memorial School students ... one, raising donations for a worthwhile cause is hard but rewarding work; secondly, but perhaps most importantly, physical exercise is not only fun but necessary to keep our hearts healthy and to build strong bodies and minds."

A total of 230 students in Grades 4 through 6 at Memorial School participated in the week-long event, and Grade 6 student **Andrew Hathaway** came away with both the boys' and overall school record of 1,500 jumps. Sixth grader **Sarah Dupont** held the girls' record with a total of 540 jumps.

Jump Rope for Heart is a program designed to promote physical fitness and heart health through the fun activity of jumping rope. It is co-sponsored by the American Heart Association and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

"Guilty As Charged"

Mattapoisett School Stages Mock Trial

There will be one less schoolyard bully at Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett thanks to the efforts of a student mock trial held this past Monday, January 29. Fifth grade students Daniel Andrews and Patrick Nobrega were tried and both found guilty of assault and battery and harassment against the fictitious Micheal *Pickedon*, a student hospitalized after a fall down a flight of stairs which the court ruled was caused by the

Above: *Old Hammondtown School fifth grade student Patrick Nobrega testifies during a Mock Trial held at the school this past Monday in which he and student Daniel Andrews were charged with a fictitious incident of assault and battery and harassment. The event was part of the Mock Trial Program sponsored by the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

On the cover: *Sixth grade students at Rochester's Memorial School participated in the Jump Rope for Heart event during physical education classes to benefit the American Heart Association recently. The school managed to raise $1,300 during the week of January 22 through 26 to help fight heart disease and stroke. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

Cabin Fever Trivia Contest

Last week's Cabin Fever Trivia Contest question was: "What was the call letters from Cicely's local radio station?" And the answer to that question is KBHR or "K-Bear" which was it's nick name. The name of the local newspaper, owned by Maurice of course, was Cicely News and World Telegram.

Congratulations to all our winners and thanks for the entrees. Don't forget, Northern Exposure can be seen on the A&E channel each and every weekday!

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two defendants' constant badgering and harassment.

The whole affair was like watching an episode of *The People's Court* unfold as students heard testimony from witnesses and the defendants themselves, detailing ongoing harassment and ridicule against the injured student and painting a picture of Mr. Andrews as the school bully, eager to intimidate those who were "different." It was all staged and coordinated by the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office as part of their Mock Trial Program in local schools.

The Plymouth County District Attorney's Mock Trial Program is a comprehensive three-week curricula that focuses on drug and alcohol prevention, bullying, violence prevention, and Internet safety. These programs are designed to be informative, educational, and fun. An important lesson is explaining to each classroom the essential elements of the legal and criminal justice systems through the culmination of bringing the courtroom into the classrooms of elementary and middle schools.

The program's focus is on decision-making, risk-taking behavior, and explaining the legal and social consequences for one's actions. It involves members of the local law enforcement community in each city and town and encourages children to have more communication with their police department and professional educators.

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Rosemary Bowman participated in the trial by offering personal testimony, and student Brady Shwartz also characterized defendant Daniel Andrews as a constant bully at the school.

Two years ago, a similar mock trial was held at the school focusing on drug prevention — this time out the lesson emphasis shifted to intimidation and harassment.

"You don't bully people because you don't like what they look like or how they speak," advised Prosecuting Attorney Bill Asci during a trial recess. "Had Michael died as a result of his injuries, these two defendants could be charged with murder or manslaughter."

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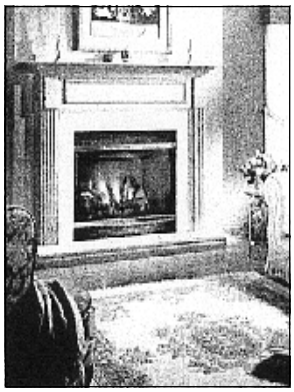

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The seriousness of the crime weighed heavily on the assembled students in the cafeteria of Old Hammondtown School as Judge Jamie White returned to render her verdict.

Mr. Nobrega was deemed only an accomplice in the incident, and was thereby given a lighter sentence of year suspended probation and was ordered to write a letter of apology to the Pickedon family and participate in 100 hours of community service.

Mr. Andrews, however, had two prior (and fictional) incidents of shoplifting against him and the testimony certainly suggested he was a longtime "bully" at the school.

Judge White pulled no punches in sentencing Mr. Andrews: "There's a big difference between respect and fear," she said. "The school should be a safe environment for every student. Your behavior has been appalling."

With that, the Judge sentenced Mr. Andrews to two-and-a-half years in the custody of Youth Services, with the first six months to be served now and two years on probation. He was also ordered to commit to 100 hours of community service before Sergeant Magee led him off in handcuffs.

In the end, Principal Rosemary Bowman stressed the importance of communicating similar real-life problems to authority figures and delivered the all-important message to students: "Bullying and harassment will not be tolerated."

The Mock Trial Program at Old Hammondtown School was sponsored by the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office under the guidance of Ed Jacoubs, Director of Prevention Resources, and coordinated by teacher Kevin Tavares at the school.

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Mattapoisett Selectman's Meeting

January 29, 2001

By Rebecca Fortin

Chairman Paul Lambalot called a regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectman to order on Monday, January 29 at 7:00 pm. Also in attendance were Selectman Ray Andrews, Selectman Barry Denham, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

After unanimously approving the minutes of the January 22 and January 23 meetings, the board met with Mary O'Keeffe Manager of Government Affairs for AT&T Broadband. The board had requested such a meeting in order to convey their concerns regarding the unavailability of the town's community public access

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channel 97 or 98 for some residents to view the weekly Selectmen's meetings and other community information.

Selectman Andrews said that his concern centers around those individuals in town who do not have a cable box, and who do not have a cable-ready television sets. These people are unable to receive channels 97 and 98 and therefore are at a disadvantage, as they are unable ascertain the information that is important to their community.

Ms. O'Keeffe explained that this is an issue that has experienced by many individuals for over twenty years — and that the situation varies from household to household because of the variations in people's television equipment. Therefore, she suggested that residents who wish to receive assistance in determining the possibility of receiving the community access channels (i.e. to determine if their television is cable-ready or if their VCR is cable-ready) should call the AT&T 1-800 phone number. She adds that it would be helpful to the technician on the telephone if the resident could have their television owner's manual available. If such availability cannot be determined over the phone, a technician can visit the home, and there would no charge for such a visit.

Selectman Andrews also voiced his concerns about the fee structure for many of the services that AT&T offers. He is concerned that the categories of channel packages include so many channels — many of which pertain to sports, for example, that he feels those subscribers who do not have interest in such channels are

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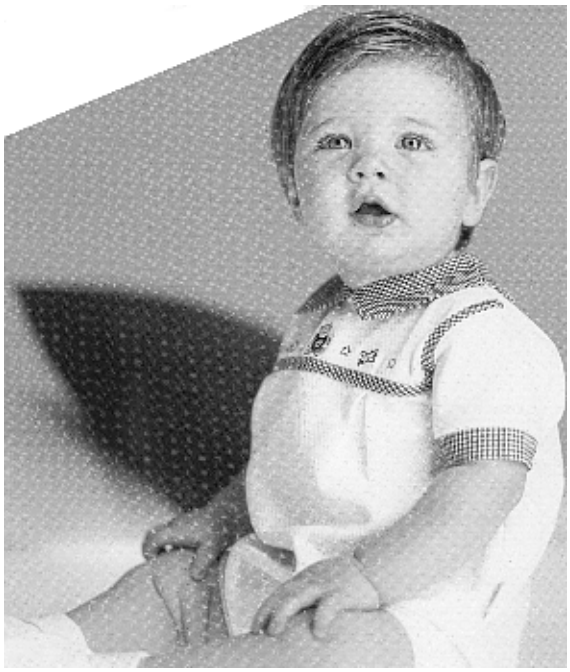

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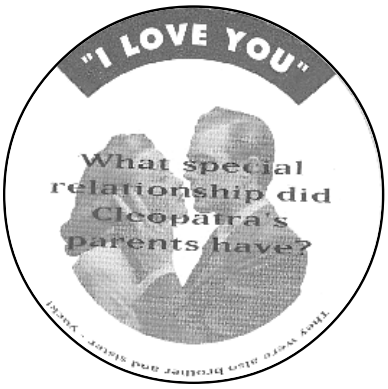

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subsidizing it for those subscribers who watch them. He questions the possibility of offering an *a-la-carte* menu of channels to subscribers. Ms. O'Keeffe explained that it would be much more expensive to the consumer to order channels *a-la-carte* due to contracts between AT&T and the programmers.

The second appointment on the agenda was with David A. Bancroft from SEA GAS CORP, regarding a permit to add a 30,000-gallon above-ground storage tank to the facility located across from Industrial Drive and adjacent to Route 195. Fire Chief Ronald Scott was on hand for the discussion and lent his support for the additional tank, adding that it is very safe and that it complies with NFPA58 standards. Selectman Denham, who has visited the site, added that he was quite impressed with the area. He noted that it is very neat, that the area is fenced in and paved. With the additional storage tank, the total will be 60,000 gallons of LP gas at the site. The application was unanimously approved.

Next on the agenda, Selectman Andrews took a few moments to educate the residents on the proposed renovations for Center school. He offered very detailed drawings of the proposed renovations. He explained that currently, there is one pre-K class being held in the basement, two kindergarten classes, four first grade classes, five second grade classes, four third grade classes, as well as a special needs class, cafeteria administrative offices, a reading room, a speech class that must be held in a hallway and a guidance counselor who houses an office in a closet.

The school is also not currently handicap-accessible. The renovations include adding two new first grade classrooms, six new kindergarten classes, a gymnasium and a cafeteria on the first floor. The second floor will house six new second grade classrooms, six new third classrooms and the library. The new layout will also

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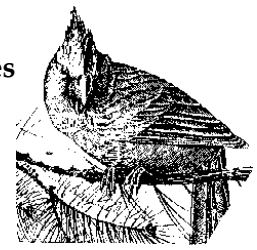

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"This is a brick and mortar project to meet the needs of the town for the next 25 years," he said. He reminded residents that this is the most cost-effective time to do such renovations. The state reimbursement rate is 65 percent and as of June 1, that number will go down to 51.25 percent. There is a Special Town Meeting on February 12 and the Special Election the following day, February 13, with polls open from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm. Next week, Selectman Andrews will discuss renovations for Old Hammondtown School.

The third appointment on the agenda was with

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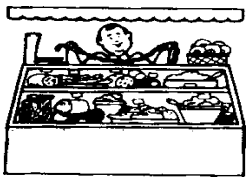

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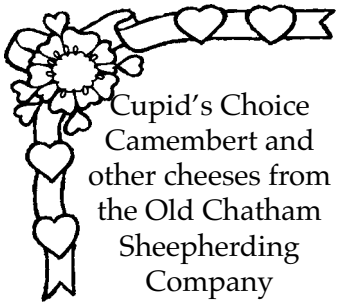

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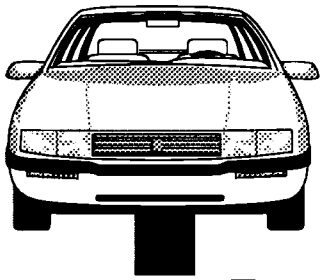

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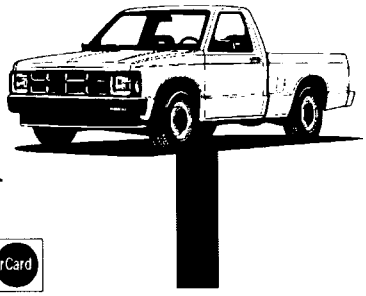

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Bike Path Study Committee member Stephen Kelleher. He updated the board on the happenings of the committee. He explained to the board that the ENF (Environmental Notification Forum) will soon complete it's study on the impact of the bike path from Phase I: Mattapoisett Neck Road to the Marion town line. The ENF will complete its study on the entire length of the bike path at once. Also, the design for Phase I of the bike path will be complete within two months.

Mr. Kelleher is optimistic with the progress that the committee is having with the bike path, and assuming "all goes well" at the Annual Town Meeting, construction could start in the fall of 2001 or the spring of 2002. One hundred percent of the appraisals of land that will become home to the bike path have been completed, as well. The 3.8 acres of land has a value of $36,465, this figure does not, however, include the YMCA property. There are 20 parcels of land that are involved in this project, and Mr. Kelleher suggests that all the individuals be contacted regarding the bike path which will eventually abut their property.

Next on the agenda, the board offered their signatures on the following:

• The reappointment of Randall Kunz to the Capital Needs Committee.

• A thank you to Michael Dame for his service to the town.

• A thank you to Lisa Yauch-Cadden for serving as a member of the Commission on Disability. The board reminded residents that they are seeking people to serve on this committee.

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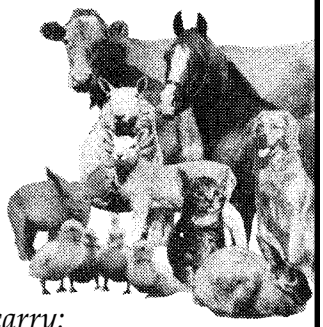

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• A letter to Attorney Kunz regarding the vote on Chapter 61B cell tower issue.

• A letter to Keith Curry regarding the town smoking ban that goes into effect February 1. The ban will not effect the Reservation Golf Club, as it is privately-owned.

Meetings scheduled throughout the week included:

• Wednesday, January 31 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm - Building Committee Meeting.

• Wednesday, January 31 at 7:00 pm - Annual Herring Meeting.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received:

• Copy of a letter from Robert Atkinson, Member of the Library Board of Trustees and Building Committee, that was mailed to neighbors of the library. In it, he discusses the proposed renovations and invites neighbors to attend a coffee hour to meet the architect. It will take place on Saturday, February 10 from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

• The Marion Board of Selectmen invited the board to attend the swearing-in ceremony of the new Town Administrator, Julia S. Enroth-Whitlock.

• A letter was received from Timothy O'Connor, Associate Superintendent for Finance & Planning at the ORR School District, commending the Highway Departments of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester for their tremendous efforts during the most recent snowstorm.

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• Announcement from the Commonwealth's Board of Library Commissioners that the town of Mattapoisett will receive $7,652.87 in State Aid to Public Libraries.

• Request from Nancy J. Luther, Executive Director of the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau, that the board consider instituting a mandatory safety belt policy for all town employees. Executive Secretary Carol Adams said that upon investigating such a request, the Highway Department is the only one without safety belts in their vehicles.

Lastly, Ms. Adams wished to congratulate Susan Cogliano's sixth grade art students who submitted drawings for insertion into the Annual Town Report.

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Brittany LeBlanc's drawing was selected for placement on the back cover. Drawings by Stephanie Correira, Samantha Macina, and Alex Zerlenga will also appear throughout the report.

Without no further items to discuss, the board unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:12 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

January 30, 2001

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, January 30, 2001 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Albert Winters. Also present were Selectman Loretta B. Schaefer, Selectman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson, and Secretary Helene Craver.

After unanimously approving and signing treasury warrants for the week and approving the minutes of the January 23 meeting, the board noted they had advertised for the services of a Building Commissioner and received only one application from Moss-Hollow Management, Inc., whose employee is Ray Pickles. Chairman Winters noted that since Mr. Pickles' background was well-known, he would entertain a motion to enter into an agreement with Moss-Hollow Management to act as a consultant for the town for the period from March 1 to June 30, 2003; and also hire the same firm and Mr. Pickles as interim consultant for the period from January 1 to March 1, 2001. The motion was made and unanimously approved by the board.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the

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board received a letter from Town Counsel Thomas P. Crotty regarding litigation against the MFP Corporation for work which was to have been done at the end of Hopedale Avenue and was not completed. Attorney Crotty requested permission to accept a settlement in the amount of $12,500. The board unanimously voted to accept the recommended settlement amount.

The board also received copy of a Notice of Intent filed by the Marion Conservation Commission (ConCom) for proposed work to be conducted on Creek Road between Route 6 and Point Road, and Point Road between Route 6 and Creek Road.

Timothy O'Connor, Associate Superintendent for Finance and Planning at the Old Rochester Regional School District, sent a copy of a letter to the Highway Departments in Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester commending their efforts to clear school grounds during the recent snow storm. "Because of your time and consideration, our schools were able to open without interference and with our grounds in as safe an operating condition as could be expected," Mr. O'Connor wrote.

Shellfish Officer Kevin Snow next submitted a request to open Hammett's Cove to commercial quahogging and waive the two-foot limit for the period from February 5, 2001 to March 9, 2001. Mr. Snow noted that since the area in question was planted with 50 bushels of relay quahogs in June, 2000, a substantial amount of stock still remains. The board unanimously voted to approve Mr. Snow's recommendation for the shellfish opening.

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Nancy J. Luther, Executive Director of the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau, sent a letter requesting the board to mandate all town employees to wear safety belts when traveling in vehicles. "The Bureau encourages you to include your local police, fire, and school departments under this policy," Ms. Luther wrote. Selectman Schaefer asked that this information be passed along to the various department heads as a reminder. "I personally believe that safety belts save lives," she said, "and I think it makes a good point."

At 7:10 pm the board continued a public hearing regarding an Akita dog owned by the Melcher/Collins family which was involved in an attack against another dog owned by Thomas Bibeau last week. Animal Control Officer (ACO) Susan King came before the board last week to discuss ongoing problems with the Akita dog which is often found loose and unrestrained, despite being under a restraining order. Given this latest attack, she recommended the animal be destroyed.

"It's been a constant thing to have (the Akita) run through the yard," Mr. Bibeau said. "I saw it once with a person ... otherwise, it's always running loose."

There was no one present from or on behalf of the Melcher/Collins family or the Akita dog allegedly involved in the attack.

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Ms. King's recommendation to order the Akita destroyed, and they unanimously voted to that effect. "It's a sad thing that the animal suffers for the action, or inaction, of the owners," Chairman Winters said. "It's a difficult decision to have to make ... but it's important that the dog be stopped before he attacks a child or a person."

At 7:25 pm the board met with members of the Marion Housing Task Force to discuss their progress thus far. Chairman Stuart Richardson first said he'd like to recommend some changes, beginning with the committee's name. He preferred the more simplified and less forceful "Marion Housing Committee."

The group in question is comprised of nine members and eight ad hoc members for a total of 17, who

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have been appointed and charged by the Board of Selectmen to examine the town's housing needs and help to secure state and federal funding for housing within town. The first and major goal on their docket is to inventory the types of housing currently available in Marion and determine assessed value and whether it provides only seasonal or year-round residency.

Two of the bigger, long-term goals involve the implementation of Chapter 40B, which is the state's Comprehensive Permit Law, and the Governor's Executive Order 418, which was approved in January, 2000. This latter measure allocates money to cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth to provide appropriate housing opportunities for residents. However, in order to be eligible for this funding, the municipalities have to meet certain criteria and guidelines. To date, only 154 towns in Massachusetts have been certified to meet this requirements — including Wareham and Mattapoisett. Neither Marion nor Rochester, however, have been certified under Executive Order 418, which is something the newly-dubbed Marion Housing Committee plans to work on.

"I think you're off to a great start," said Chairman Winters. "The diversity of the people involved (on your committee) is going to pay off in the long run."

At 7:45 pm the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and contract negotiations. There being no further items on the agenda, they would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

January 29, 2001

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, January 29 at 6:55 pm by Chairman Naida Parker. Also present were Selectman Richard Cutler, Selectman Patricia Ryan, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

The board first met with Police Chief William Przybylek to review clarifications and amendments to his previously-submitted policy and procedure for appointing of new Police Department personnel. The board had previously reviewed the proposed changes and wanted some clarification of where the policy was not clear, according to Chief Przybylek. The chief suggested retaining Community Police Services out of Fall River to prepare and administer the exams used to determine a candidate's eligibility to join and advance in the Rochester force. This same firm had been employed previously by the Town of Rochester, and Chief Przybylek suggested remaining with them for future appointments.

With several suggested changes and amendments made by Chief Przybylek, the board unanimously voted to approve the proposed policy and procedure for Police Department appointments as submitted.

Chairman Parker asked the chief whether he had given any thought to establishing a "zero tolerance" policy for so-called racial profiling in town, given the

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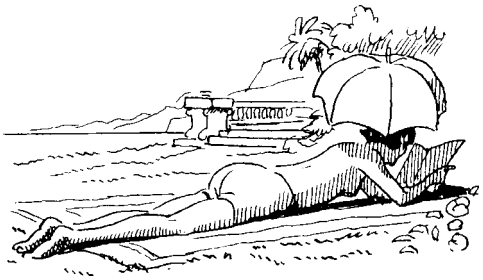

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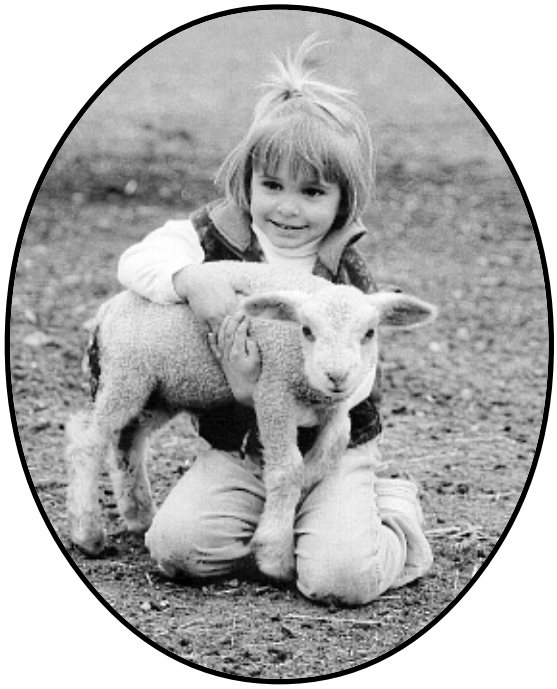

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The board next unanimously approved the minutes of the January 22 meeting and also reviewed submitted Personnel Action Forms for two part-time employees with the Communications Department — Patricia Knight and Melissa Trahan — and one part-time temporary employee to assist in the Town Clerk's office: Kathy Nyer, who was previously employed full-time with the town. The board unanimously approved all three hirings.

At 7:10 pm the board met with Susan Peterson to discuss the possibility of adopting the state-approved Community Preservation Act in town to build up funding for future land purchases. The board tentatively scheduled a Special Town Meeting on March 5 to adopt this measure, but Ms. Peterson said there were both pros and cons to this move.

"The Community Preservation Act came into law in December and allowed the 351 towns in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to place a surcharge on property tax up to three percent," Ms. Peterson said. "Based on property valuations (in Rochester), that could yield up to $140,000 gross for Rochester ... but when you subtract exemptions and abatements, you're only looking

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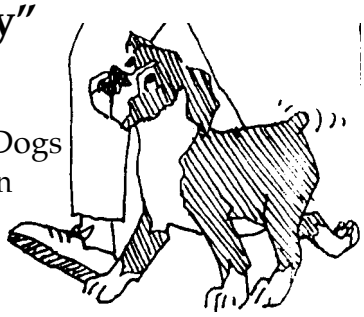

at about $134,000 generated for community preservation. That money is then matched by the state, but not at 100 percent."

Ms. Peterson cautioned, however, that there are certain drawbacks to the Act, noting that if Rochester did not approve the maximum three percent surcharge, they would lose the state matching funds. "At 1.5 percent ... we'd be down to $70,000," she said. "Then there are administrative costs ... and a committee of five to nine people must be appointed or elected to review how the funds are allocated annually. Accounts need to be set up to provide funding for open space, historic preservation, and affordable housing."

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Rochester could lead to other complications, as Ms. Peterson said it's not clear whether the Board of Assessors had the proper software to implement the surcharge tax — that would mean the correct software would have to be purchased and installed, adding more costs on the administrative level.

"You've always got strings attached to anything from the state," said Tax Collector Tom Gayoski.

"If we don't have a Community Development Plan in place, (the state) can hold up matching funds," added Town Treasurer John Hall. "We're not even prepared to implement this."

"If they're limiting the use of these funds, that's what concerns me," said Selectman Ryan. "I don't like the government telling us more and more what we can and cannot do. I really think the most important thing is to allow the voters to decide how their money is spent."

Town Treasurer John Hall also said the town could elect to establish a community preservation measure themselves, but it would have to be self-sufficient, like the land bank proposal adopted in Marion.

Ms. Peterson noted that a meeting was scheduled at the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) this Thursday to discuss the pros and cons of adopting the Community Preservation Act, and she suggested they bring their concerns and questions to that meeting before proceeding.

"I want to see what SRPEDD has to say before we move on this," agreed Selectman Cutler. "Since there's still a lot of questions about this, we should put together a task force next week to decide whether we're going to proceed with the Community Preservation Act or do something on our own. After that, we'll have a better idea of where we're going from here."

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr. Huntoon noted he had retained the services of Special

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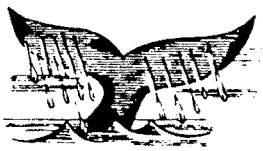

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Counsel for the Planning Board regarding a dispute between the owner and developer of the Mayflower Woods project. Town Counsel Daniel Perry could not become involved in the matter since he previously represented one of the parties. Attorney Bob Brunowski had been retained at a rate of $150 per hour and will be meeting with the Planning Board over the next two weeks.

Mr. Huntoon noted the Personnel Board has requested a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee (FinCom) on Saturday, February 10 at 9:00 am.

The 2000 Annual Town Report contract had once again been awarded to Athol Press, the same printer used

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for last year's edition.

School Committee Chairman Shirley Bourque noted that Requests for Proposals (RFPs) would be opened on Friday for the Memorial School Feasibility Study project. Ms. Bourque would also like to establish a Feasibility Study Committee to oversee the project and requested a representative from the Board of Selectmen to participate. Selectman Ryan volunteered to be the board's representative.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

• Letter from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau asking the town to adopt a mandatory safety belt policy for all city/town employees.

• Invitation from the Marion Board of Selectmen to attend a swearing-in ceremony for new Town Administrator Julia S. Enroth-Whitlock to be held at the Marion Music Hall on Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 pm. The board all said they would be attending the ceremony.

• Request from the Rochester Democratic Committee to hold their Democratic Caucus at the Rochester Town Hall on Saturday, March 3 in the afternoon. The board had no objections to the committee using the Town Hall on that date.

• Letter from ORR School District Associate Superintendent Timothy O'Connor praising the efforts of the Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester Highway Departments for their tremendous efforts during the recent snow storm to clear away the schools' parking lots and grounds in a timely manner. "Because of (their) time and consideration, our schools were able to open without interference and with our grounds in as safe and operating condition as could be expected," he wrote.

In other matters, the board:

• Unanimously voted to sign and approve the action taken at last week's Special Town Meeting to allocate $235,000 for the Zyskowski property — $225,000 for the 19+ acres of property and $10,000 for associated closing costs.

• Agreed to schedule a joint meeting with the Planning Board for next week to appoint Arnold M. Johnson to fill a vacant position on their board through the April election. Mr. Johnson expressed interest in filling

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the vacancy left in the wake of Diane Wood's resignation and plans to run for the elected position in April.

• Again requested a response from AT&T/VeriZon regarding the various double poles located throughout the Town of Rochester.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to recess for the evening at 8:15 pm as they would be meeting on the following evening (Tuesday, January 30) with the Council on Aging Building Committee.

ORR Sports Insider

By Josh Cushing
School-to-Career Intern

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few of the winter sports teams at Old Rochester Regional High School are heading into post-season play. Some of ORR's winter sports teams which are continuing on are the **Girls Basketball Team**, which is doing excellent this season, and also a lot of members from the **Boys Winter Track Team** who have or will qualify for many of the post-season track meets. Many of the boys from the track team will also qualify and the same goes for many of the girls from the **Girls Winter Track Team**. Both of Old Rochester's track teams will be sending people to post-season track meets.

The **Boys Winter Track Team** has had a marvelous season this year, as they had only one loss in the South Coast Conference (SCC). Their only loss came to **Dighton-Rehoboth** (D-R) in their final dual track meet of the season. This was not a good meet for the ORR Boys Track team as they lost to D-R, 61-25. The Bulldogs only had two first places, one by **Junior Brandon Perry**, and the other by **Senior Josh Cordeira** — that is out of a total of eight events.

The Bulldogs also got three second places and six third places. Unfortunately it was not nearly enough to claim victory. They have outdone many of the previous boys track teams though, who have had a lot of talent. This team has as much, if not more talent then the previous seasons. The boys team deserves a lot of credit because many people did not even expect them to be as good as they were. The Bulldogs started the season off great by beating Seekonk, a feat that has not been done in six years, and then it was all uphill from there. The boys still have a chance to win a banner, though, and that is if they win the South Coast Conference track meet. A word of advice to them: keep their heads up and stand tall because the boys had an excellent season and they can always get Dighton-Rehoboth in the Spring Track season!

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having a really great year as their regular season draws to a close. Right now their record stands at 14 wins and 1 loss. Their only loss comes from Apponequet. **Coach Bob Hohne** probably has them working harder now that they are expected to make it into the post-season. Good luck to the Lady Bulldogs for the rest of the season!

Now as for last Sunday's event — the **Super Bowl** was not a memorable one for the **New York Giants** and all their fans as they got crushed by the **Baltimore Ravens** 34-7. A lot of people expected the game to be a close, low-scoring match. But it was the exact opposite as the **Ravens** proved truly how great their defense was. The **Ravens'** defense, lead by **Ray Lewis**, who later was named Most Valuable Player (MVP), did not allow one touchdown, shutting down every attempt that the **Giants** made. The **Giants'** only touchdown came on a kickoff return. In the end, the Baltimore Ravens proved why they deserved to be Super Bowl Champions.

Please send ideas, comments and suggestions to: Sports, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739, or fax, 24-hours-a-day, to (508) 758-4845.

Representative Straus Hours

State Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett) will hold district office hours at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA) office in the Knights of Columbus Hall (Route 6 in Mattapoisett) on Friday, February 2 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am. No appointment is necessary to attend.

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Friends of all Republicans are invited to attend this Victory brunch. Of note, Abraham Lincoln and George W. Bush won their Presidential campaigns although neither achieved a majority of the popular vote!

Rochester Town Clerk

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2001 Census

The census forms are being mailed this week. The Town Clerk's office would appreciate your help in conducting the annual census. Please fill out and return this important document as soon as possible. Thank you.

Annual Election

Nominations for Town Elected Offices close on February 22. If you are interested in running for an elected position this year, please visit or call the Rochester Town Clerk's office at 763-3866.

School Committee Meetings

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• Tuesday, February 13 - ORR District School Committee at ORR High School;

• Monday, February 26 - Mattapoisett School Committee at Old Hammondtown School.

Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

The Mattapoisett Maconchu Club will meet on Saturday, February 17 at 7:30 pm in Reynard Hall of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. The program, "Exotic Travels in New Bedford," will be presented by Marsha McCabe, a columnist for *The Standard-Times.* Guests are always welcome.

Hearts and Hands Training

Hearts and Hands, a Christian Ministry caring for medically-fragile children and their families, will be holding a six-week volunteer training session beginning Tuesday, February 20 from 6:45 to 8:45 pm. For more information, please call the Hearts and Hands office at (508) 758-1300.

ORR Alumni Association

The ORR Alumni Association has taken over the reins of running the July 4 Mattapoisett Road Race this year, with thankfully much guidance from the past Road Race Committee. An alumni subcommittee for the road race has started planning this year's event. Anyone wishing to help as a volunteer for the road race should contact Dan White, Mattapoisett Road Race Committee Chairman, at 758-3121.

A subcommittee has also been formed for the preparations of the Alumni Association's Second Golf Tournament later this year. All Old Rochester alumni are welcome and encouraged to join them at their next meeting. They can use your help in any of these upcoming fundraisers (emphasis on "fun") that you may be interested in. Or perhaps you would just like to get together with some old high school cronies. Come and

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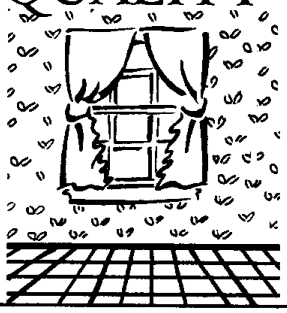

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Cushing Cemetery Notice

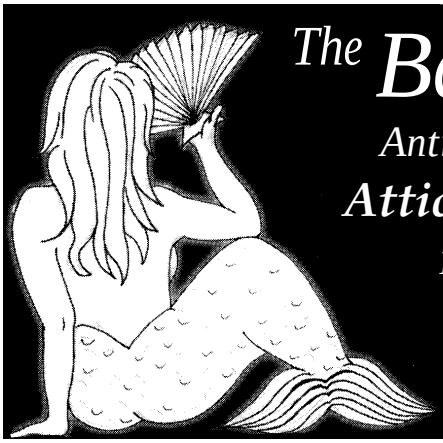
The Cushing Cemetery Corporation has requested that all Christmas decorations must be removed by February 15, 2001 from all graves. They will be removed after this date by the cemetery.

FORM Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Friends of Old Rochester Music (FORM), the parent group supporting the music program at Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools, is Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00 pm in the Teacher's Lunch Room at the high school. On the agenda will be a continuing discussion of how FORM can support the music departments at the two schools and raise awareness of parents to the needs of the programs.

Rochester Girls Softball

Signups for girls in third grade through eighth grade who wish to play softball during the 2001 season will be held on Tuesday evening from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at Rochester Memorial School. Sign-up fee is $35 per player, with family discounts. For more information, please contact Polly Lawrence at 763-2072.



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Please call the high school for further information (758-3745). Registration period ends Friday, February 9. The class will be scheduled to begin on Monday, February 12. The classes are held on Monday and Tuesday in Room B-123 at the high school from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and run for seven weeks.

Class charge for residents is $35. Driving hours for residents is $112. The class and driving hour charge for non-residents of the ORR School District is $166. Only cash, bank checks, or money orders will be accepted as payment. No personal checks will be accepted. Summer residents will be considered residents of the district.

Blood Pressure Clinics

Blood Pressure Clinics for the month of February will be held on Wednesday, February 14 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm and on Wednesday, February 21 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Clinics are held at the American Legion Hall, Depot Street in Mattapoisett, and are open to all Mattapoisett residents.

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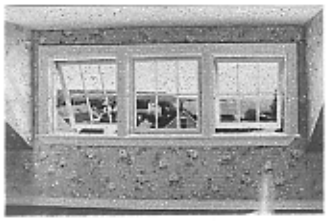

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This walk is sponsored by The Wildlands Trust of Southeastern Massachusetts and The Rochester Land Trust. The Wildlands Trust is a locally-based, non-profit organization founded in Plymouth in 1973, protecting over 3,000 acres of conservation land across the region. The Rochester Land Trust is dedicated to the conservation and preservation of Rochester's rural character.

Participants in the walk are asked to meet at the Rochester Town Hall, Route 105 in Rochester Center. Dogs are not permitted on this walk.

Marion Natural History Museum

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again offering a summer program this year. The curriculum will incorporate aspects of the Sippican watershed. Utilizing not only the museum's resources but the watershed features of the Town of Marion, they will be looking at both salt and fresh water ecosystems such as salt marshes, river and streams, seining the coastline, studying the intertidal zone, and freshwater marshes among other topics.

They will be offering two two-week half-day sessions (9:00 to 12:00). One will be from July 9 through July 20 and another from August 6 through August 17. The camp will be broken into two groups, grades entering 1 and 2 and another for grades entering 3 and 4. Maximum number of students per group is 15, so register early! Registration forms are available at the Marion Natural History Museum or in the entrance hall of the Elizabeth Taber Library.

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The Marion Natural History Museum is looking for two Massachusetts Certified Teachers and two educational aides to implement the summer camp

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MOVIE REVIEW

Dead Silence

BY ROB GONSALVES
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***Shadow of the Vampire.* Starring John Malkovich and Willem Dafoe. Directed by E. Elias Merhige. Running time: 89 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At General Cinema 12 in North Dartmouth.**

Shadow of the Vampire is a provocative idea squandered. It asks one of those irresistible what-if questions: What if the mysterious actor Max Schreck, known today solely for his title role in F.W. Murnau's 1922 vampire masterpiece *Nosferatu,* was a real vampire? Director E. Elias Merhige and screenwriter Steven Katz run with the notion that not much is known about Schreck, so — who knows, maybe he *was* a vampire. Well, not *much* is known about him, but that doesn't mean *nothing* is known about him. A bit of history; this won't take long.

Film scholars usually describe Schreck as a "versatile" actor. He did a *lot* of movies and even more work on the stage. *Nosferatu* was neither his first film nor his last; he even worked again with Murnau, in the recently unearthed 1924 comedy *The Finances of the Grand Duke.* He died in 1936 (outliving Murnau by five years), not at the end of a stake or seared by sunlight, but of a mundane heart attack. End of history lesson; now let's concentrate on why *Shadow of the Vampire* is a failure.

Even if we knew the above facts, why wouldn't we be inclined to let talented filmmakers have fun with the conceit of Schreck as an actual vampire lurking in the shadows of Murnau's set? Well, the filmmakers *aren't* talented — the pace is wooden, the actors aside from the two scenery-chewing leads are neglected, the photography (by Lou Bogue) employs some of the most punishingly, pointlessly dark lighting I've ever *not* seen, the script is flat and obvious — and they're not having fun. They have one idea — that Murnau the film-pioneer taskmaster was every bit as much a bloodsucker as his undead protagonist — and it's a tired one.

Murnau (played by John Malkovich as the sort of irritable, pompous *artiste* you want to kick in the pants) tells his wary cast and crew that his star is a Method actor, "a student of Stanislavsky" who lives his roles. But Schreck (Willem Dafoe), we're given to understand, is in reality a vampire Murnau found somewhere and wants to capture on film "for posterity and science." Uh, I thought vampires don't show up in photographs (and on celluloid), but never mind.

Schreck creeps around, draining the film's first cinematographer, so that Murnau has to go and find a replacement, Fritz Arno Wagner (Cary Elwes), a goofy frat-boy type who doesn't seem capable of devising some of horror cinema's most lasting images. There's tension on the set. Schreck freaks everyone out. The film's producer (Udo Kier, stranded with little

to do besides worrying) worries. The leading lady (Catherine McCormack) is being groomed for Schreck's fangs — his payment for acting in Murnau's shadowplay. The leading man (Eddie Izzard) is scared of Schreck. Murnau keeps cranking the camera. The movie goes on like this, passionlessly, without a fraction of the power of its source.

Willem Dafoe could have saved this affair single-handedly, and he has his game face on and his vamp fangs in, but Katz's shallow script gives him nothing to work with. Eventually, his stylized performance moves into hamming it up for its own sake, and never comes back. The role is tricky — he's playing a vampire playing an actor playing a vampire — and maybe that's too many plates for even this gifted veteran to spin at once. A little ambiguity — perhaps the suggestion that Schreck *isn't* a vampire, but that the cast and crew, under Murnau's eager encouragement, come to believe he is — would have helped Dafoe and the movie.

But that's not what we get. *Shadow of the Vampire* is a heavy-handed art-film semi-comedy about the director as monster, complete with heady jazz about how the camera takes your essence and immortalizes you at the same time, just like, you know, a vampire. It's also unquestionably mean-spirited. It communicates no particular love for *Nosferatu* or the people who made it; it's a hipster ride on the coattails of greatness. (Why isn't this a movie about the making of *Friday the 13th* and how Jason was a real slasher? Answer: because there's no art-house credibility in that.) At times it's like *Ed Wood* without affection — and a lot of the footage recreated from Murnau's classic is made to look as dorky as an Ed Wood film!

I think the film's hip disrespect for real figures in film history — Murnau as a callous control freak who cranks the camera while people *die* in front of him? — is what annoys me about the factually inaccurate premise. Murnau's *Nosferatu* was an unauthorized adaptation of Bram Stoker's *Dracula,* and he had to change all the character names to avoid being sued by Stoker's widow. The producers of *Shadow of the Vampire* had better hope any descendants of the Murnau or Schreck families (if there are any) aren't as litigious as Stoker's wife was. At best, this is a dawdling, toothless riff on a far superior film. At worst, it's character assassination.

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Malena (R) – 1:15, 4:20, 7:15, 9:35
Shadow of the Vampire (R) – 1:10, 4:10, 7:05, 9:40
O Brother Where Art Thou? (PG-13) – 12:40, 3:45, 6:50, 9:25
Chocolat (PG-13) – 12:50, 3:50, 7:10, 9:30

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Head Over Heels (PG-13) – 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:35, 9:35
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (PG-13) – 1:20, 4:20, 7:25, 9:55
Valentine (R) – 12:50, 2:55, 5:05, 7:15, 9:25
The Wedding Planner (PG-13) – 1:00, 3:40, 7:20, 9:40
Chocolat (PG-13) – 12:55, 3:35, 6:50, 9:30
The Pledge (R) – 1:35, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50
Traffic (R) – 12:45, 3:50, 6:55, 9:45
Cast Away (PG-13) – 12:50, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50
What Women Want (PG-13) – 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40
Miss Congeniality (PG-13) – 1:15, 4:05, 7:30, 9:55
Save the Last Dance (PG-13) – 1:20, 4:00, 6:55, 9:25
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What Women Want (PG-13) – 1:20, 3:50, 6:20, 8:50
Valentine (R) – 12:50, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:30
Finding Forrester (PG-13) – 12:40, 3:40, 6:20, 9:10
Save the Last Dance (PG-13) – 12:50, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
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The Wedding Planner (PG-13) – 1:00, 4:10, 6:50, 9:10
Sugar and Spice (R) – 12:40, 2:50, 4:50, 7:10, 9:20
Shadow of the Vampire (R) – 1:20, 4:10, 6:40, 8:50
Cast Away (PG-13) – 12:30, 3:20, 6:10, 9:00
Chocolat (PG-13) – 1:10, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
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The Marion Natural History Museum is looking for someone to help maintain open hours from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Monday. This position will most likely grow to include more hours and will include occasional substitute hours for the Director. This is a good job for someone with a Science or Education background who is home with children and would like to keep their resume current. Please send a resume to the Marion Natural History Museum, P.O. Box 644, Marion, MA 02738, or call 748-2098 for more information.

After School Programs

The Marion Natural History Museum has scheduled several Winter/Spring 2001 After School Programs, including:

• Soil Tunnel - On Wednesday, February 7 at 3:30 pm: Come in and see what's under your feet! This is an interactive display for children of all ages. They will be looking at soil profiles, textures and colors.

• Vernal Pools - On Wednesday, March 28 at 3:30 pm: This program will entail watching a slide show and investigating live specimens of the amphibians and reptiles that need these vital habitats to survive.

• Spring Has Sprung - Wednesday, April 25 at 3:30 pm: The group hits the woods to investigate signs of spring. They'll be looking for emergent plant life, salamanders, and birds during a walk through Holmes

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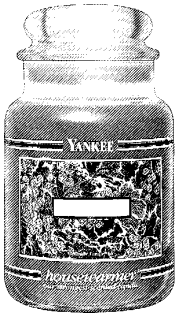

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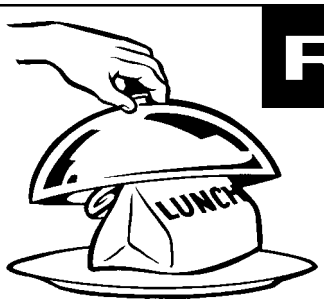

Regional Lunch Menus

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Monday, February 5 – Hamburger on a bun, bologna sandwich, potato puffs, green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Baked chicken, ham sandwich, mashed potatoes, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Meatball sandwich, turkey sandwich, potato puffs, peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Hot dog on a roll, bologna sandwich, potato puffs, carrots, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday, February 9 – French bread pizza, tuna salad sandwich, macaroni salad, fresh fruit, milk.

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION

Monday, February 5 – Vegetable soup, BBQ pork patty, whipped sweet potato, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, February 6 – Ziti with meatballs, Italian blend vegetables, Scali bread, tapioca pudding, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, February 7 – Boneless chicken breast, supreme sauce, rice Florentine, carrots, multi-grain roll, fruit in light syrup.

Thursday, February 8 – Meat loaf with gravy, whipped potato, peas, white bread, cookie, graham wafer.

Friday, February 9 – Crunchy light fish, tartar sauce, au gratin potatoes, green beans, apple muffins, fruit in light syrup.

CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, tuna roll, potato puffs, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Meatball sub, pepperoni calzone, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, February 9 – Cheese or pepperoni pizza, seafood salad roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY and ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets with sauces, Steak'Um and cheese sub, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled pineapple, watermelon jello with topping.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, meatball sub with grated mozzarella, hot pastrami grinder, shoestring fries, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

Wednesday, February 7 – Hamburger/cheeseburger, chicken breast patty club, mac rib sub, tuna salad sub, Frito corn chips, carrot sticks, chilled applesauce, chocolate chip cookie.

Thursday, February 8 – Roast turkey with gravy, grilled cheese sandwich, hot ham and cheese sub, whipped potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, mixed fruit, apple pie.

Friday, February 9 – Cheese pizza, pepperoni pizza, cheese ravioli with sauce and grated mozzarella, shaved turkey club, krinkle fries, green beans, chilled pears, fruit and nut brownie.

HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL – FAIRHAVEN

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets with sauces, Steak'Um and cheese sub, baked pork chop with gravy, rice pilaf, corn niblets, chilled pineapple, watermelon jello with topping.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, meatball sub, grated mozzarella, hot pastrami grinder, shoestring fries, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

Wednesday, February 7 – EARLY RELEASE (no lunch served).

Thursday, February 8 – Roast turkey with gravy, grilled cheese sandwich, hot ham and cheese sub, whipped potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, mixed fruit, apple pie.

Friday, February 9 – Cheese pizza, pepperoni pizza, cheese ravioli with sauce and grated mozzarella, chicken salad pocket, krinkle fries, green beans, chilled pears, fruit and nut brownie.

MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, tuna roll, potato puffs, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Meatball sub, pepperoni calzone, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, February 9 – Cheese or pepperoni pizza, seafood salad roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL – MATTAPOISETT

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, tuna roll, potato puffs, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Meatball sub, pepperoni calzone, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Friday, February 9 – Cheese or pepperoni pizza, seafood salad roll, tossed salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

ORR JUNIOR and SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, February 5 – Soup, chicken patty, French fries, hot dog, chicken wings, lettuce, tomato, fruit, juice or milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Soup, chicken tenders, fettucini noodles, steak with cheese sub, chicken fillet, broccoli, roll, dessert, juice or milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Soup, meat lasagna, Italian sub, linguiça roll, salad, garlic bread, pudding, juice or milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Soup, baked chicken, mashed potato, meatball sub, grilled cheese, carrots, applesauce, roll, dessert, juice or milk.

Friday, February 9 – Soup, cheeseburger, chicken sandwich, BBQ ribs, potato puffs, pickles, veggie sticks, dessert, juice or milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, February 5 – Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Tuesday, February 6 – Hot dog on a roll, tuna roll, potato puffs, veggie sticks, soup, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wednesday, February 7 – Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, toasted cheese, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

Thursday, February 8 – Meatball sub, pepperoni calzone, soup, salad, fruit, dessert, milk.

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• Skin and Scales - Wednesday, June 6 at 3:30 pm: Leo Spinner will be bringing in his amazing reptiles! A Burmese Python shed his skin during the program last year! Come see what will happen this year.

The cost for all programs is $4 for member and $5 for non-members. Pre-registration and pre-payment is requested, and interested participants can pre-register withthe museum (located upstairs from the Elizabeth Taber Library), not at the library or school. To register or for more information, please contact the Marion Natural History Museum, P.O. Box 644, Marion, MA 02738, telephone (508) 748-2098.

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Pay It Forward

BY KENNETH J. SOUZA
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One of last year's heavily-promoted Oscar hopefuls was a film that I found particularly disappointing and manipulative. No longer considered a major Academy Award contender, *Pay It Forward,* starring such award-winners as Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt, and Haley Joel Osment, told the intriguing story of a young boy (Osment) inspired by his disfigured but brilliant teacher (Spacey) to come up with a school project to "change the world."

The clever young man devises a plan to do several random acts of kindness for others, without expecting anything in return. His simple yet provoking idea is to do something good now in the hope that someone else will return the favor in the future ... hence, pay it *forward* as opposed to the usual pay it *back*.

Although the film itself failed to hammer this unique message home by stooping to a tear-jerker ending in which a random act of violence virtually discourages anyone from attempting to affect change for fear that they might meet the same fate, I think the initial concept of "paying it forward" remains a noble idea worth exploring and promoting.

So, too, do several Mattapoisett residents who were inspired to devise their own version of "pay it forward" for area residents. According to Louise Vandal, owner of the popular Seaport Village Ice Cream and Coffee Shoppe on Route 6 where the first "Random Acts of Kindness" bulletin board has been posted, residents Randy Smith and Wayne Walega came to her with the idea this past week. She simply provided space in her establishment for said postings.

"We wanted to test-market it and see how it works," she said. "We have a lot of traffic in and out of here everyday ... people of all age groups who come in and many don't have contact with anyone. We have a lot of elderly people who need (help) ... I think they've got a nice idea."

A corkboard titled "Random Acts of Kindness" now on display at Seaport Village is the first of what will hopefully become a series of similar bulletin boards placed throughout the area encouraging selfless acts of thoughtfulness among residents.

Randy Smith said the idea was inspired by the movie and a similar program at Old Hammondown School.

"My wife, Daune, is a teacher at Old Hammondtown," Mr. Smith said. "Ruby Maestas started this idea at (the school) ... they have a box in the principal's office where people can put notes about random acts of kindness and each morning when someone has done something good they read them aloud over the intercom. I thought that's a nice idea that we all should be following. Wayne Walega ... wrote up the poster on his computer and I donated the bulletin board. Our idea was Seaport (would be) the first stop and maybe if it caught on we could expand to the library, post office, or Town Hall. As soon as we walked in (to Seaport) and put it up, people commented on what a great idea it is. You never know, it may work or it may not. It's based on the 'one good turn deserves another' sort of thing."

"There are a lot of people who do good in this town and they don't get recognized for it," agreed Seaport Village employee Sara Audette, who actively supports the concept. "But like most new things, it takes a little while to catch on."

The attached poster says it all: "Random Acts of Kindness ... are thoughtful deeds done without expectation of reward other than thanks. When someone was particularly helpful to you in your time of need, share it with the rest of us. It will spark the desire in all of us to make our world a little bit better by starting right here in Mattapoisett."

In an age where we've all become a little too distant with the proliferation of automated machines which enable us to avoid human contact as much as possible, it's good to know that some people are still willing to reach out a helping hand. This simple gesture may not move mountains or change the world ... but it certainly can change one person's life for the better — and that's a good start.

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The speaker this month will be William T. Nicholson, Superintendent of Water/Sewer Department in Mattapoisett. Much has happened since Nick's last visit with the club, and he will bring members up-to-date with the current status of several department projects.

Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on Monday, February 5.

Marion Census Forms

The 2001 Census Forms were recently mailed to Marion residents. It would be appreciated if residents

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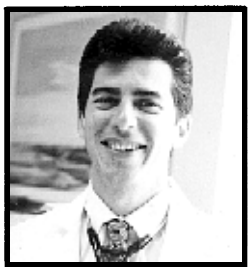

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Local Police Logs

■ MARION

The following log excerpts are for the week of January 21 through January 28, 2001:

• Front Street – assist other police department
• Point Road – animal complaint
• Wareham Road – shoplifting/past
• Front Street – animal complaint
• Weweantic River – recovered property
• Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Spring Street – parking violation
• Piney Point Road – animal complaint
• Jenney Lane – larceny/past
• Rezendes Terrace – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
• Seaside Lane – animal complaint
• Mill Street – suspicious person
• Spring Street – animal complaint
• Jenney Lane – breaking and entering/past
• Mill Street – suspicious person
• Front Street – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
• Wareham Road – larceny/past
• Route 195 West – animal complaint
• Mill Street – adult arrest (protective custody)
• Acushnet Avenue – annoying phone calls
• Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident
• Hammett's Cove Drive – suspicious motor vehicle
• Route 195 East – suspicious motor vehicle
• Front Street – family offense
• Front Street – parking violation
• Cottage Lane – parking violation
• County Road – parking violation
• Delano Road – family disturbance
• Briggs Terrace – animal complaint
• Converse Road – motor vehicle stop.

■ MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of January 21 through January 28, 2001:

• County Road – protective custody
• Shipyard Lane – emergency order issued
• Channel Street – low cable wire
• Industrial Drive – disabled motor vehicle
• Fairhaven Road – suspicious person
• Fairhaven Road – adult arrest (warrant)
• Marion Road – vehicle slid off road
• Brandt Island Road – harassing phone calls
• County Road – protective orders served
• County Road – simple threats
• Mattapoisett Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Marion Road – suspicious activity
• Marion Road – adult arrest
• Marion Road – motor vehicle hit pole
• Marion Road – arrest at high school
• Prospect Drive – power outage
• Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
• Pine Island Road – suspicious persons at construction site
• Fairhaven Road – party looking for husband
• Marion Road – past violation of no trespass order
• Industrial Drive – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
• Marion Road – disorderly conduct
• County Road – returned property/ATM card
• Marion Road – motor vehicle accident
• County Road – returned property
• Water Street – suspicious activity/possible domestic disturbance
• Neck Road – car hit pole
• County Road – harassing phone calls
• North Street – dead cat in road
• Perry Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
• Prospect Road – suspicious activity/vehicles
• Hiawatha Way – suspicious activity/motor vehicle
• Acushnet Road – suspicious motor vehicle/loud muffler
• Collins Way – barking dog complaint.

■ ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of January 23 through January 29, 2001:

• Walnut Plain Road – motor vehicle complaint
• New Bedford Road – adult arrest (warrant)
• Mattapoisett Road – motor vehicle accident
• Mendell Road – highway matter/slippery roads
• Bishop Road – parking ban
• Wolf Island Road – motor vehicle accident
• Ryder Road – trespassing at landfill
• Haskell Ridge Road – highway matter
• Clapp Road – car hit deer
• Ryder Road – sledders at landfill
• Marion Road – road hazard
• North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
• Dexter Lane – domestic disturbance
• Marion Road – officer wanted
• Cross Street – motor vehicle accident
• Cross Street – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
• Hiller Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• New Bedford Road – domestic disturbance
• New Bedford Road – adult arrest (domestic abuse)
• Taber Lane – highway matter
• Walnut Plain Road – road hazard
• Walnut Plain Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• New Bedford Road – suspicious activity
• Mary's Pond Road – suspicious person
• Snipatuit Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license)
• Mendell Road – suspicious activity
• Neck Road – vandalism
• Marion Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• County Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license)
• County Road – adult arrest (warrant).

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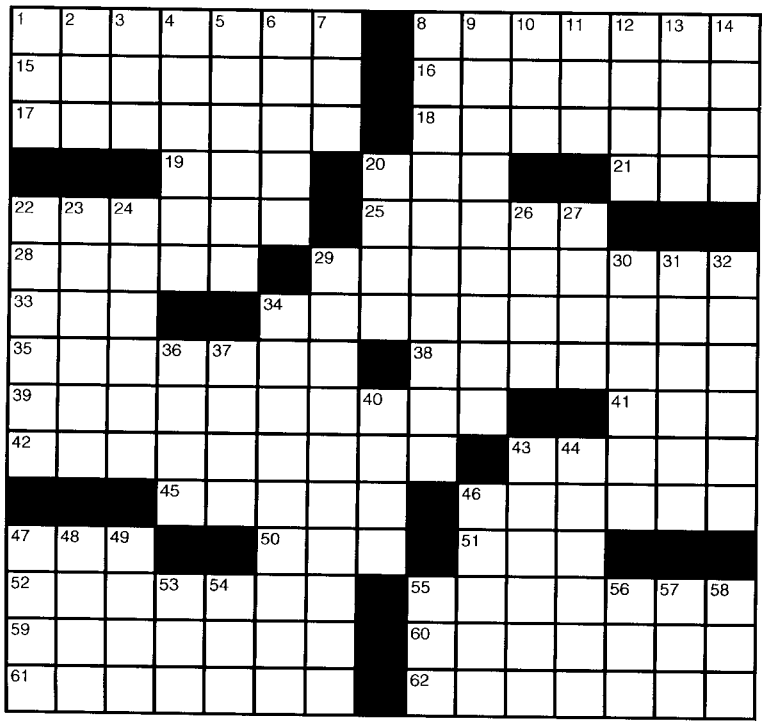

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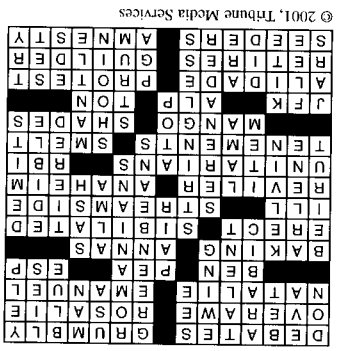

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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). The emphasis is on you. You're the star of the show, so put on a great performance.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). You may feel like you're getting pushed around at work. Soon you'll be on your feet again, and you could be the eloquent spokesperson for your side.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). The plans you make with friends seem more like fantasy than fact, but that's fine. Travel looks good, but it's best to reach your destination as soon as possible.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Keep most of your comments to yourself. It'll be difficult to get a word in anyway; your boss or teacher wants to do most of the talking. Your opinion will be more highly revered later, so save it.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Financial worries fade. Instead of buying a gift you can't afford, take your sweetheart on an outing. Take care of business, a strong reprimand from the boss awaits you if you don't.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The better you keep somebody else's money in order, the better you look. Don't get too playful, or you'll forget to do something important.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your mate is very directive. It'll be fun, provided you can go along with your partner's suggestions.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A co-worker's snide remark could get you agitated, but don't despair — it's going to motivate you. Get a partner to help you solve a tough problem.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'd rather stay home and play with your sweetheart. Do that as much as you can. The work starts pouring in soon.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A home-based enterprise could be quite profitable. Devote more time to your sweetheart. Playtime is important to staying healthy.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Dig for the information you need — you'll find it. Slow down, taking the time to look for errors. The more you find, the better off you'll be.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). You may be worried about money, but it's not that you don't have enough. More likely, you've found too many ways to spend it.

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INVITATION TO MARION RESIDENTS
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The Marion Board of Selectmen invites you to a swearing-in ceremony to be held at the Music Hall on Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00pm, when we will be introducing the new Town Administrator, Julia S. Enroth-Whitlock.

We hope that you will join us for this celebration. Light refreshments will be served.

Marion Board of Selectmen
Albert E. Winters, Chairman 02/01, 02/08

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 13th, 2001 at 8:45pm in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Linda Turcotte-Shamski. The applicant proposes to construct a replacement pump chamber and leaching field with associated clearing and grading in a buffer zone to a wetland resource pursuant to 310 CMR 10.0. The project at 17 Crook's Way in Mattapoisett, and is further identified as Lot 62 on Assessors Map 19.

Conservation Commission. 02/01

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
INVITATION TO BID
OPERATION OF TOWN WHARF FOOD CONCESSION

The Town of Mattapoisett is accepting bids for the lease of space for the operation of a food concession stand to be located at the Town Wharf. Sealed bids will be received in the Selectmen's Office, Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA until 3:00pm, Friday, March 2, 2001, at which time said bids will be publicly opened and read.

All bids must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of cash or Certified Check in the amount of $250. payable to the Town of Mattapoisett. Bid specifications are available at the Selectmen's Office between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. The office telephone number is (508) 758-4100.

The Town of Mattapoisett reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to further negotiate any bid if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the town.

Carol J. Adams, Chief Procurement Officer
02/01, 02/08

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS

#770 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Steven and Judith Shepley who are requesting three special permits under the following Rochester by-laws:

1. VIII.C.2. to allow a garage in the front yard area.
2. VIII.C.2.a. to construct a garage larger than the allowed 1,000 square feet.
3. VIII.C.5.b. to allow the operation of a business in the agricultural/residential district.

The property is located at 99 Cushman Road; Assessor's plan 33 lots 7 and 8 containing 20.2 acres. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, February 22, 2001, 7:30pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.

Ellen E. Endres, Chairman 02/01, 02/08

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 13th, 2001 at 8:30pm in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Cheryl and Francis Cronin. The applicant proposes to construct a single family dwelling and related work within 100 feet of Boardering Vegetated Wetland pursuant to 310 CMR 10. The project on North Street and is further identified as Lot 12 on Assessors Map 20.

Conservation Commission. 02/01

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 13th, 2001 at 7:30pm in the Town Hall to reconsider the Notice of Intent submitted by David L. & Patricia A. Donovan. The Applicants propose to remove the remnants of the old foundation and construct a new dwelling. The existing cesspool (2) will be pumped dry, filled with clean fill and upgraded to a "tight tank." A 20 ft. x 30 ft. gravel driveway will be constructed off Waterman Street. The proposal now incorporates a storm drainage system design plan to alleviate flooding on and around the subject lot. All of the proposed work falls within the 100 ft. buffer zone of a Coastal Dune and Rocky Intertidal Shore and partially within the 100 ft. buffer zone of a Coastal Bank and Coastal Beach. The entire site falls within Flood Zone VE (El. 18). The project at #1 Union Avenue and is further identified as Lots 219 & 220 on Assessors Map 5A.

Conservation Commission. 02/01

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 13th, 2001 at 7:45pm in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Timothy & Gerta Fox. The proposed project is to remodel existing dwelling, add a garage and upgrade septic system. The project is located at 8 Depot Street and is further identified as Lot 10 on Assessors Map 26.

Conservation Commission. 02/01

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT
ATTENTION MATTAPOISETT RESIDENTS

The Town of Mattapoisett Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners will hold a meeting to update residents on the **Brandt Beach Area Sewer Expansion Design and Water Main Extension Preliminary Design for Mattapoisett Neck and Brandt Island and Brandt Beach Area.**

The meeting will be held on February 14th at 7:00pm in the Old Hammondtown School cafeteria.

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT
ATTENTION MATTAPOISETT RESIDENTS

The Town of Mattapoisett Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners will hold a meeting to update residents of the **CRESCENT BEACH AREA SEWER EXPANSION PROJECT.**

The meeting will be held on February 7th at 7:00pm in the Old Hammondtown School cafeteria. 1/25, 2/1

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Rochester Journal

The deadline for submission to the *Rochester Journal Volume III* has been extended. They will accept submissions through April 1, 2001. They are seeking stories, essays, poems, artwork and photographs that capture the essence of the Town of Rochester. They will also accept oral histories on tape and copies of old articles from area newspapers and magazines. Submissions will be accepted from all ages. For more information, please call Lucy Loomis at the Plumb Memorial Library at 763-8600.

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Training Sessions

Starting in February, the library will be offering training sessions for library users. Sing up now for the following training sessions: How to use the library's online catalog; How to access the catalog at home; How to get started on the Internet in the library; and How to set up a free e-mail account. Training sessions will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Please call the library (763-8600) or stop by to sign up.

ORR Parent Association

The next ORR Parent Association Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 8 beginning at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria at Old Rochester Regional High School. Mrs. Traci-Lee Violette, ORR Science Teacher and Health Educator, and Officer Mitch Suzan, ORR Student

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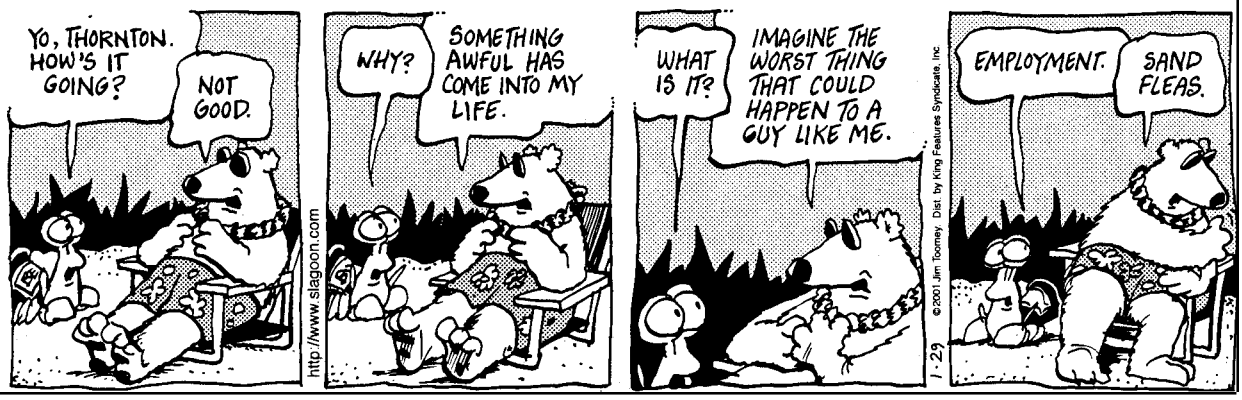

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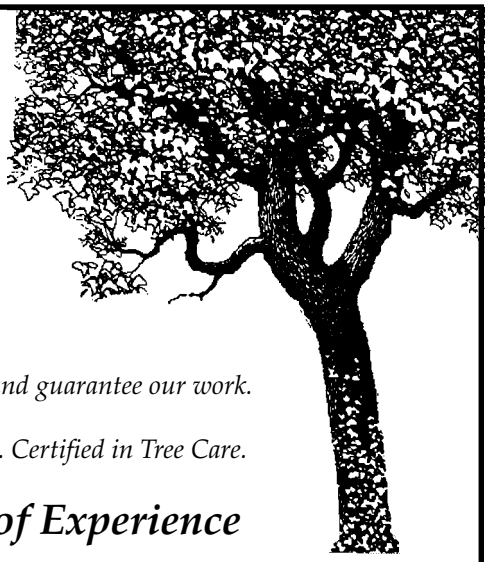

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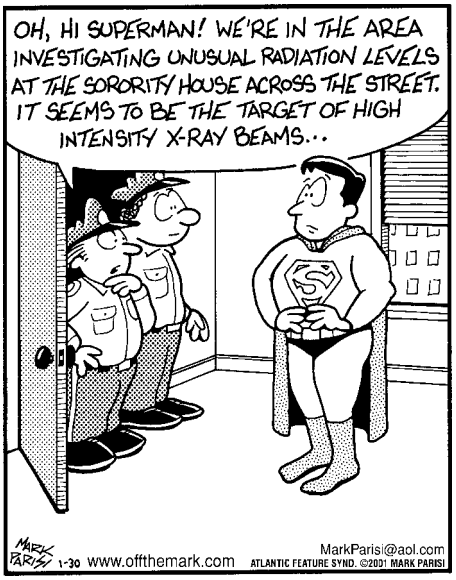

3. This class will be held beginning March 5 at 6:00 pm at the Fairhaven Fire Department meeting hall, located at 146 Washington Street.

Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 6:00 to 10:00 pm. This program is approximately 135 didactic hours. This is an intensive training program designed to prepare participants for taking the Emergency Medical Technician examination for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. At the conclusion of the program, students will be eligible to take the State Department of Public Health Office of Emergency Medical Services examination for EMT-Basic. Tuition is $595, which includes textbooks.

Application packets may be obtained by calling Kevin at (508) 997-9210 or e-mail SCFSMC@aol.com. A second EMT-Basic course will be offered again in the fall of 2001.

Regional Housing Rehabilitation

The Town of Wareham is applying for household rehabilitation funds for residents in Bourne, Carver, Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester. Please complete a small survey form in your town's Selectmen's office or Council on Aging (COA) and indicate if you would be interested in having repairs done on your home.

Mattapoisett PTA

Pizza Night

The recent Mattapoisett PTA Papa Gino's Pizza Night was a success, so they've arranged for another one. Get pizza to eat in or take out from the Fairhaven Papa Gino's (997-1535) on Monday, February 12. Remember to use the form that will come home from school. By coincidence, this falls on the same night as the Mattapoisett School Renovation override vote. You may buy as many pizzas as you wish, but just one vote per registered adult, please! When you pick up your order, please use the PTA form which will be provided to the schools. The form marks a change from last year and the PTA gets credit only for the purchases accompanied by the form.

Skate Night

The Mattapoisett PTA has reserved the Carousel Skating Rink in Fairhaven for vacation week, Tuesday, February 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Admission is $2 to cover expenses, and skate rental is extra. Please join in the fun — everyone is welcome.

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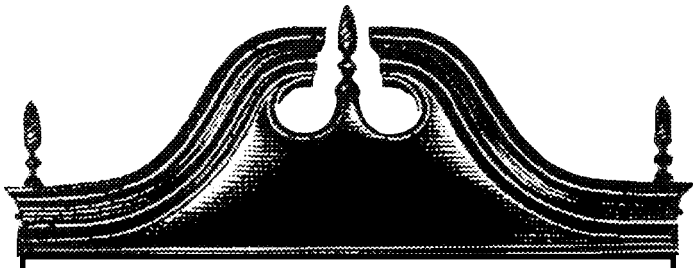

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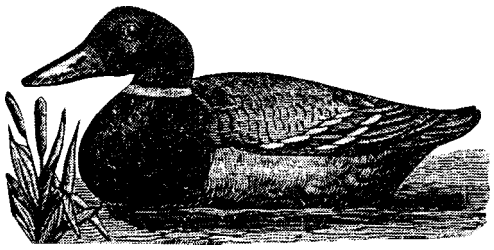

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Feb. 2:	Fri.	1:44	2:19	7:52	7:50
Feb. 3:	Sat.	2:46	3:23	9:16	8:56
Feb. 4:	Sun.	3:54	4:29	10:23	9:58
Feb. 5:	Mon.	4:59	5:30	11:21	10:56
Feb. 6:	Tues.	5:58	6:26	. . .	12:04
Feb. 7:	Wed.	6:53	7:18	12:01	1:06
Feb. 8:	Thurs.	7:44	8:09	12:51	1:54
Feb. 9:	Fri.	8:35	9:01	1:46	2:39
Feb. 10:	Sat.	9:26	9:52	2:40	3:20
Feb. 11:	Sun.	10:17	10:45	3:30	4:00
Feb. 12:	Mon.	11:09	11:38	4:20	4:39
Feb. 13:	Tues.	. . .	12:02	5:12	5:21
Feb.14:	Wed.	12:31	12:55	6:12	6:09
Feb. 15:	Thurs.	1:27	1:51	7:44	7:08
Feb. 16:	Fri.	2:27	2:52	9:15	8:19
Feb. 17:	Sat.	3:31	3:55	10:12	9:24
Feb. 18:	Sun.	4:34	4:54	10:54	10:17

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